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Work on I-55 in Montgomery, Macoupin counties begins next week

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced that work on Interstate 55, from just north of the Livingston/New Douglas interchange (exit 37) to just south Divernon (exit 80) begins the week of June 21.

Lane closures from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. will be necessary, with traffic control utilizing advance signing and drums. This project consists of patching distressed pavement areas with reinforced concrete. This improvement will help restore pavement durability and enhance the ride quality. Work is expected to be complete by mid-July.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. To avoid the work area, when feasible, use of alternate routes should be considered. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to changed conditions and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits, refrain from using mobile devices and be alert for workers and equipment.

Over the next six years, IDOT is planning to improve more than 3,300 miles of highway and 8.4 million square feet of bridge deck as part of the Rebuild Illinois capital program, which is investing \$33.2 billion into all modes of transportation. Year One included approximately \$2.7 billion of improvements statewide on 1,706 miles of highway, 128 bridges and 228 additional safety improvements.

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